



Exempt Action Final Regulation Agency Background Document

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Regulation title	Occupational Injury and Illness Recording and Reporting Requirements, 1904.12 and 1904.29
Action title	Occupational Injury and Illness Recording and Reporting Requirements, Revised Final Rule, §§1904.12 and 1904.29 (b)(7)(vi)
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Summary

Please provide a brief summary of all regulatory changes, including the rationale behind such changes. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

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On November 5, 2003, the Safety and Health Codes Board adopted an identical version of federal OSHA's revised final rule for the Occupational Injury and Illness Recording and Reporting Requirements, §§1904.12 and 1904.29, with an effective date of January 15, 2004.

Federal OSHA has deleted two provisions of the Occupational Injury and Illness Recording and Reporting Requirements ("Recordkeeping") rule published on January 19, 2001. The first provision deleted is §1904.12 which required employers to check the musculoskeletal disorder (MSD) column on the OSHA 300 Log if an employee experienced a work-related

MSD. The second provision amended §1904.29(b)(7)(vi) by deleting the MSD requirement that stated that MSDs are not considered privacy concern cases.

Since publication of the Recordkeeping rule in January 2001, the effective date of these provisions has been delayed by federal OSHA and also by the Board at its June 13, 2003 meeting. As a result, the requirements deleted by this final rule have never been in effect. (68 FR 38601)

Family impact

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The revised Final Rule has no impact on the institution of the family or family stability.